GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1303
ANSWERED ON:27.11.2000
POSTAL STAMP
RAMESH CHENNITHALA

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms followed for the releasing of commemorative postal stamps in honour of the distinguished Indian personalities;

(b) the list of the commemorative postal stamps released in honour of the distinguished Indian personalities during last three years and till date; especially from Kerala;

(c) whether the Government have received a proposal for releasing a commemorative postal stamp in honour of Late Shri Tangal Kunju Musaliar;

(d) if so, the action taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Proposals for issue of commemorative postage stamps are examined by a Philatelic Advisory Committee, constituted for the purpose. The Committee examines the proposals on the basis of certain guidelines which inter-alia stipulate:

1. The personalities on whom commemorative stamps may be issued should be of national or international importance and the occasion may be the birth centenary or 10th/ 25th/ 50th or 100th death anniversary.

2. Not more than one stamp may be issued on the same personality.

3. Out of the commemorative/ special postage stamps issued every year those on personalities should not normally exceed 25%.

(b) The list of personalities on whom stamps were issued during the last three years and till date are annexed.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The proposal was placed before the Philatelic Advisory Committee. The Committee did not approve the proposal.However, the Department of Posts already released a special cover with special cancellation to mark birth centenary of Shri Musaliar, on 12.01.1997.

Annexure
Stamps on Personalities Issued in 1997

S.No. Name of Personality

1. Dr. Vrindavan Lal Verma

2. Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose

3. Jose Marti

4. Morarji Desai

5. Shyamlal Gupt
6. Saint Dnyaneshwar

7 Ram Manohar Lohia

8. Jnanpith Award Winners : Kannada

9. Madhu Limaye
10. Pandit Omkarnath Thakur
11. Ram Sewak Yadav
12. Sibnath Banerjee
13. Thirumathi Rukmini Lakshmipathi
14. Sri Basaveswara
15. Sir Ronald Ross
16. Three INA Stalwarts - P.K. Sahgal, G.S. Dhillon & Shah Nawaz Khan
17. Firaq Gorakhpuri
18. Bhaktivedanta Swami
19. Swami Brahmanand
20. Sir William Jones

21. V.K. Krishna Menon ###
22. Sant Kavi Sunderdas
23. K. Rama Rao
24. Hazari Prasad Dwivedi
25. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
26. Pattabhi Sitaramayya
27. Ram Prasad Bismil and Ashfaqullah Khan
28. Jerome D`Souza

Stamps on Personalities Issued in 1998

S.No.	Name of Personality
1.	Nahar Singh
2.	Nanak Singh
3.	Maharana Pratap
4.	V.S. Khandekar
5.	Jagdish Chandra Jain
6.	Mahatma Gandhi
7	Sardar A. Vedaratnam
8.	Savitribai Phule
9.	Syed Ahmed Khan
10.	Sri Ramana Maharshi
11.	N.G. Gorey
12.	Dr. Zakir Hussain
13.	Md. Abdurahiman Shahib ###
14.	Loknayak Omeo Kumar Das
15.	INA Hero - Abdul Khader, Fouja Singh & Satyendra Chandra Bardhan ###
16.	C. Vijiaraghavachariar
17.	Jnanpith Award Winners: Bangla
18.	Bhagawan Gopinathji
19.	Aruna Asaf Ali
20.	Shivpujan Sahai
21.	Gostha Paul
22.	Bhai Kanhaiyaji
23.	Dr. Tristao Broganza Cunha
24.	Jananeta Hijam Irawat Singh
25.	Acharya Tulsi
26.	Baba Raghav Das
27.	Lt. Indra Lal Roy
28.	Sant Gadge Baba

Stamps on Personalities issued in 1999

S.No.	Name of Personality
1.	Biju Patnaik
2.	Dr. K.B. Hedgewar
3.	Gulzarilal Nanda
4.	Ustad Alauddin Khan Saheb
5.	Musiri Subramania Iyer
6.	Swami Ramanand Teerth
7	Swami Keshawanand
8.	Sardar Ajit Singh
9.	Vishwambhar Dayalu Tripathi
10.	P.S. Kumaraswamy Raja
11.	Arati Gupta (Saha)
12.	Kazi Nazrul Islam
13.	Ramdhari Sinha `Dinkar`
14.	Rambriksh Benipuri
15.	Zaverchand Kalidas Meghani
16.	Kalki Krishnamurthy
17.	Dr. T.M.A. Pai

18. Chhaganlal K. Parekh
19. A.B. Walawalkar
20. A.D. Shroff
21. Rajmata Jijabai
22. Veerapandia Kattabomman
23. Brig. Rajinder Singh, MVC
24. Balai Chand Mukhopadhyay, `Banaphool`
25. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer
26. Indulal KanaiyalalYagnik
27. Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh
28. P. Kakkan

Stamps on Personalities issued in 2000

S.No. Name of Personality

1. Mahatma Gandhi

2. Albert Ekka, PVC

3. Abdul Hamid,PVC

4. Karam Singh, PVC

5. NJS Shekhon, PVC
6. M N Mulla, MVC

7 Arun Kumar Chanda

8. Balwantrai Mehta

9. Dr. Harekrushna Mahtab
10. Dr. Burgula Ramakrishna Rao
11. Potti Sriramulu
12. Basawon Sinha
13. N.T. Rama Rao
14. Swami Sahajanand Saraswati
15. Radha Gobinda Baruah
16. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit
17. R. Srinivasan
18. Jaglal Choudhary
19. Raj Kumar Shukla
20. Dr. Shanker Dayal Sharma
21. Maharaja Bijli Pasi

denotes personalities who are from Kerala.

In addition, the Stamp Issue Programme 2001 include two personalities from Kerala - late S/Shri E.M.S. Namboodiripad and C. Sankaran Nair.